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MISSOULA, MONT., OCT. \_\_\_\_ With their most ambitious schedule in the school's history slated this winter, 15 Montana State University basketball aspirants started workouts Wednesday under the guidance of head coach Forrest B. (Frosty) Cox.

"We've got a tough non-conference and Skyline schedule this season and will have only about a month of practice to prepare for it," the coach commented.

The Silvertips, working in the old University gym while the Fieldhouse is being readied for Homecoming events, immediately jumped into conditioning exercises and work on fundamentals.

Actually, the Grizzlies have only two days in which to practice for their first game.

A special Homecoming tussle between the varsity and freshmen is slated at 8:30 Friday night in the old gym. "A special preview for alumni and Homecoming guests," Cox termed it.

Varsity lettermen reporting for practice were guard Dan Balko, Great Falls; forward Darroll Dunham, Shelby; center Marv Suttles, Chicago; center Dave Shelby, Salem, Ore.; and guard Tom McEacheron, Santa Maria, Calif. One transfer-- Vince Ignatowicz, Elizabeth, N.J.--is expected to crack the starting lineup.

Sophomores vieing for positions are Duane Ruegsegger, Billings; Terry Screnar, Helena; Mike Allen, Cut Bank; Gale and Bob Henriksen, Spokane, Wash.; Paul Miller and Kay Roberts, Newton, Kansas; Gary Kanz, Salem, Ore., and Charles Hood, Miles City.

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Listed on the freshman roster are King Hamilton, El Dorado, Kansas; Dan Sullivan, Lou Markovich, and Dick Held, Butte; Andy Jackson, Chicago; Jim Harris, Des Moines, Iowa; Dick Deschner, Newton, Kansas; Ron Quilling, Sidney; Wayne Leslie, Glasgow; John Robinson and Butch Hendricks, Missoula; Les Chapin and Frank Cabbage, Kalispell; Bill Smith, Anaconda; and Dennis Catron, Camp Crook, S.D. Others who will join the squad in November after freshman football is completed are Bob O'Billovich and Marco Stanisich, Butte; and Tom Sullivan, Great Falls.

The varsity schedule lists 10 non-conference and 14 Skyline tussles. The Grizzlies meet Nebraska--the squad which last year defeated both Kansas and Kansas State--at Lincoln on Dec. 6. The 'Tips also move to Boulder for a tussle with Colorado on Dec. 8.

Two games are slated against Montana State College--on Dec. 10 at Bozeman and Dec. 27 at Missoula. Other non-conference frays match the Grizzlies against Idaho, Washington State, and Oregon.

First game of the season is a Dec. 1 battle with Idaho at Missoula.

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